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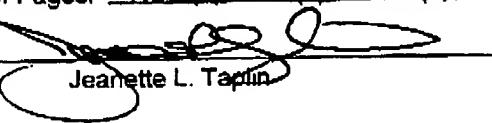
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

- i. Prior to abandonment of the application
- ii. Payment of the issue fee
 - Prior to payment of issue fee.
 - Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted
- iii. Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
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